



## County of Sacramento

December 19, 2008

Ms. Mary E. Serra, P.E. Chief  
Waste Discharge to Land Unit  
Regional Water Quality Control Board  
Central Valley Region  
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SUBJECT: Tentative Order Waiving Waste Discharge Requirements for Sacramento  
County Airport System

Dear Ms. Serra:

On behalf of the Sacramento County Airport System (SCAS), we would like to thank you and your staff for expeditiously processing the amended Report of Waste Discharge (RWD) for the Sacramento International Airport Terminal Modernization Project's dewatering discharge to land. In particular, we appreciate the efforts of Ms. Anne Olson in preparing the Tentative Order Waiving Waste Discharge Requirements for Sacramento County Airport System (Tentative Order) for consideration at the February 2009 Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Water Board) meeting.

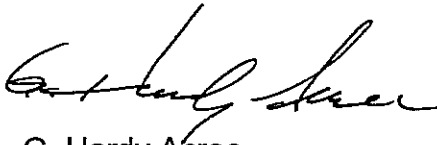
The Terminal Modernization Project (TMP) is a very significant project for the region, and construction of the new terminal has already begun. The dewatering process must begin immediately to allow construction to proceed. As indicated in our amended RWD, the initial expected dewatering discharge rates were under-estimated. More recent dewatering analyses indicate a need to discharge an estimated 250,000 gallons per day of dewatered groundwater to land. The Tentative Order for this project, as noticed on December 12, 2008, appropriately addresses the need to increase the allowed volume of daily discharge flow to 250,000 gallons per day as a 30-day average.

SCAS supports the Tentative Order and encourages Regional Water Board adoption at its February 5/6, 2009 meeting. Any delay in adoption of this Order could seriously impact the TMP. Again, thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. We appreciate all your efforts.

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If you have any questions, please contact Kate Stillman directly at (916) 869-5877.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "G. Hardy Acree". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the right.

G. Hardy Acree  
Director of Airports